BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

The Senate amendment to HB 1151 removes a consideration of parents' ability to communicate on issues related to their children in the child custody hearing process. The amendment also states that the court shall issue findings of fact and conclusions of law in support of its decision after a final hearing, not just if equal access and custody is not provided to both parents.

HB 1151 modifies the child custody hearing process to give courts the option to consider evidence of the ability of parents to cooperate on issues related to their children in addition to evidence of harassment, domestic violence and stalking. The court shall issue findings and conclusion of law to support its decision after a final hearing on the merits.

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Fiscal Analysis

The Senate amendments to the measure delete certain language relating to the consideration of parental communication and the nature of the finding courts shall issue.

Upon review, no direct impact to state revenues or expenditures is anticipated from passage of the measure as amended.

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Other Considerations

None.

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